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ESCANABA CRACK COCAINE DEALER SENTENCED

MARQUETTE, Mich. – Timothy Wayne Mounts, 33, of Escanaba, Michigan, was sentenced on December 20, 2007, to 60 months in prison for possession with the intent to distribute more than 5 grams of cocaine base, commonly known as “crack,” U.S. Attorney Charles R. Gross announced today. Mounts pleaded guilty to the charge on September 20, 2007.

The charge arose from an investigation involving an undercover purchase of crack. A search warrant executed at Mounts’ residence in October, 2005, revealed prepackaged baggies of crack, drug paraphernalia, marijuana, and MDMA (“Ecstasy”) tablets.

In addition to 60 months in prison, Senior U.S. District Judge R. Allan Edgar ordered Mounts to serve four years of supervised release after his release. Mounts is also required to perform 320 hours of community service upon his release from prison.

U.S. Attorney Gross commended the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team (UPSET), the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the Escanaba Public Safety Department and the Delta County Sheriff’s Office for their work in the case. This case was prosecuted on behalf of the United States of America by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul D. Lochner.

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